



- 1 7. (twice amended) An inkjet device comprising:
- 2 at least one printhead arranged to eject ink drops
- 3 in a spitting operation;
- a spittoon arranged to store the ejected ink; and
- a temporary spittoon arranged to move between first
- 6 and second positions, said temporary spittoon being ar-
- ranged in the first position so that the ink drops are
- ejected onto a surface of said temporary spittoon, and
- g said temporary spittoon being further arranged to trans-
- 10 fer the ink to the spittoon when in the second position;
- wherein the temporary spittoon is mounted on a shut-
- 12 tle, said shuttle being arranged to move the temporary
- 13 spittoon between the first and second positions;
- 14 the temporary spittoon is arranged to be oriented in
- 15 a first orientation when in the first position and in a
- 16 second orientation different from the first orientation
- 17 when positioned in the second position, such that when
- 18 positioned in the second position the temporary spittoon
- 19 is arranged to transfer the ink from the spittoon surface
- 20 by gravity; and
- 21 the temporary spittoon is rotatably mounted to the
- 22 shuttle and arranged to pivot relative to the shuttle be-
- 23 tween the first and second orientations.

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2 wherein:

the shelf is substantially rigid.

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 $_{ ext{!}}$  27. (new; to follow claim 1) The device of claim 1,